



## A Dome of their Own at Waveland

The 'Hippie Tent' goes upscale with serious changes in facilities, services. Page 16

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### Gov's group on recovery meets

The Governor's Commission on Recovery, Rebuilding and Renewal has scheduled the first round of local committee meetings in Hancock County for today. These meetings will allow local leaders and community members to voice their viewpoints and set the tone for the Gulf Coast and South Mississippi's renewal plans.

• Hancock County — Thursday, Oct. 27, 3:30 p.m. — 5 p.m., Main Street Methodist Church, corner of Main Street and Second Street, Bay St. Louis.

### Contact us at the Echo

Call us at our voice messaging system, 228-467-5474; or directly by cell phone: Randy Ponder, 256-504-0814; Geoff Belcher, 228-332-0257; Bennie Shallbetter, 228-332-0255; John Few, 228-216-6272; or Jace Ponder, 228-332-0027. For advertising, contact Cecilia Howe at 228-332-0253 or Shea Few at 228-216-6272.

### Outdoor movies

Enjoy free outdoor movies and popcorn at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot (the grassy area). The Hope Theatre will continue Sat. & Sun. at dusk. Family movies will be shown so bring your friends, family, blankets and lawn chairs.

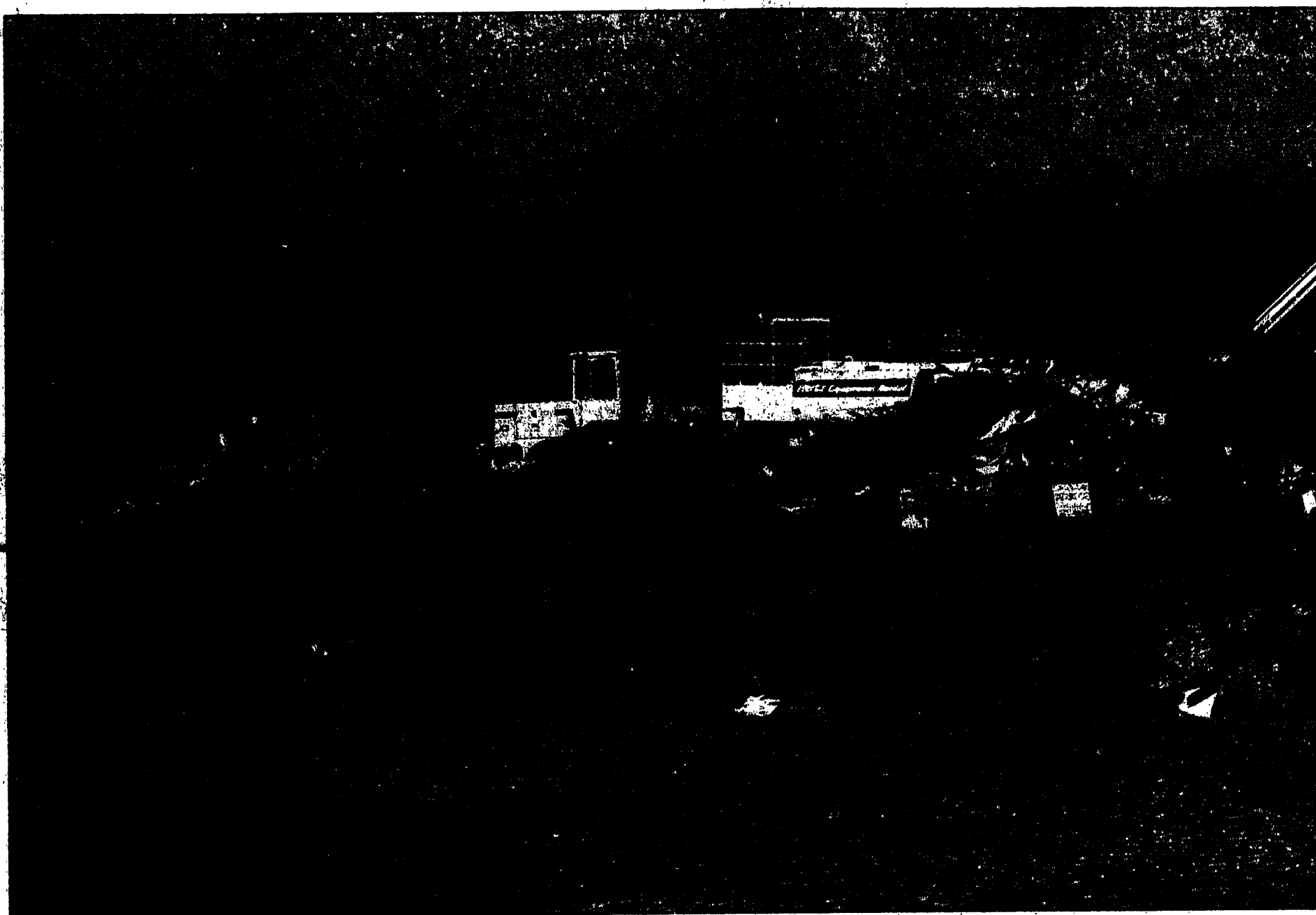
### Medical services

HMC Emergency Room is open for triage and see-and-release patients only. Full medical services continue at: Hancock Medical Center, 24-7, off Hwy 90. The Old Train Depot 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily at Bookter and Depot Way.

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## Building Up



The Corps of Engineers have leased this site on Jordan River Drive for a temporary dumpsite and staging area. The field used to house a herd of Longhorns and oak trees. Temporary dump sites are springing up in several locations around the county as contract haulers continue to remove the debris from storm-damaged homes. The EPA and the MDEQ says the sites will only be staging areas where the debris will be kept until there is room for it — and equipment to move it — at a permanent dump site.

## Building begins in Hancock Co.

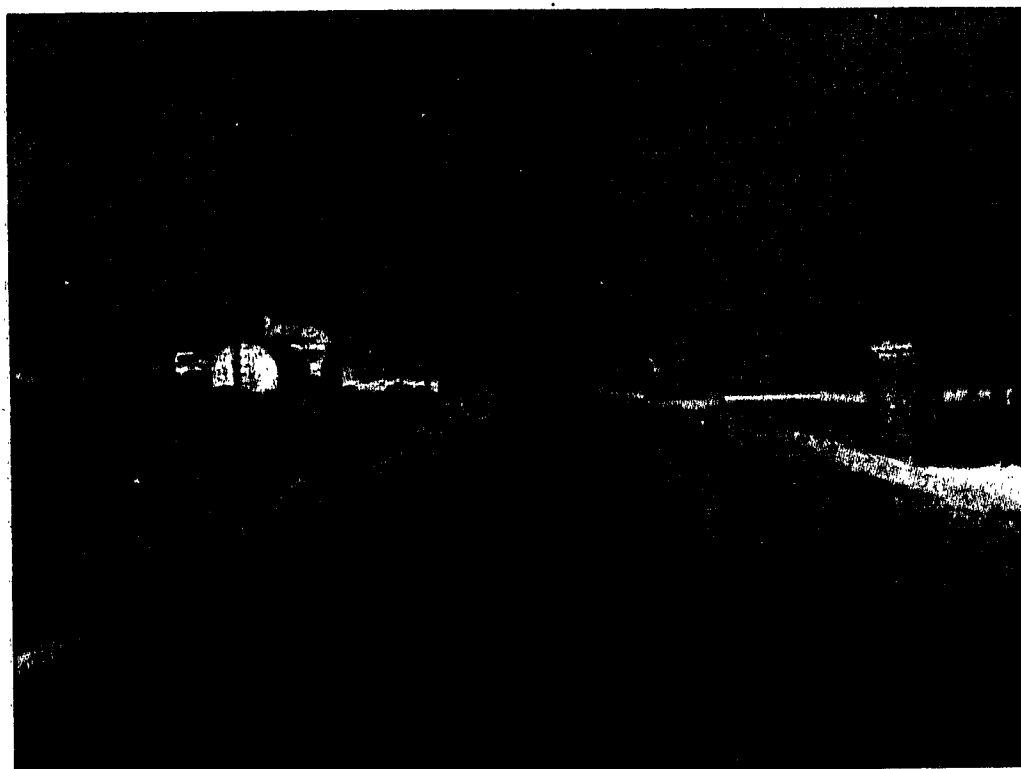
BY BENNIE  
SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

**L**et the building begin! The county officially started issuing building permits in the flood zone yesterday at noon. Supervisors gave their approval for the action on Tuesday evening, but build-

ing official Mickey Lagasse asked that property owners give him until noon to prepare for the onslaught.

Supervisors reiterated their commitment to keep rebuilding requirements reasonable, not to allow the federal government to impose codes based solely on a once

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## BSL considers Hwy. 90 'trailer park'

Council reluctant to accept Stennis' temporary housing proposal

BY GEOFF BELCHER  
News Editor

Stennis Space Center on Tuesday presented the the Bay St. Louis City Council a plan — whole-heartedly

endorsed by Bay Mayor Eddie Favre — to house 167 families displaced by Hurricane Katrina, but at least two of the councilmen were less than enthusiastic

about the prospect of creating a new trailer park in the already storm-ravaged city. "We want to give people a place to live ...," Stennis's Steve Brettie told the coun-

cil Tuesday evening. "What we're trying to do is maintain our work force out there and keep them in the

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# Hancock Recovery Update

## PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE EOC:

• 1,309 million cubic yards of debris hauled to date. This represents 19 percent of total debris removed from right of way. More than 140 trucks are involved with the removal process.

• 3,456 travel trailers are occupied by Hancock County families; more travel trailers are occupied in Hancock County than any other county in Mississippi.

• 3,849 blue roofs placed as of Monday, representing 69 percent of the requests submitted.

## SCHOOL NEWS:

Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District employees are to report to work Nov. 1; school resumes Nov. 7. The district has established a Returning Student information Line in order to obtain information on students. Parents may call the district at 228/467-6685. For general information on the district call 228/467-6621.

Bay St. Louis-Waveland School Board meeting at 6 p.m. every Monday at 201 Carroll Avenue, Hut 2.

Our Lady Academy and St. Stanislaus have each set Nov. 1 as a reopening date.

St. Claire Elementary has targeted Monday as a reopening date.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Waveland City Council meetings first Tuesday and third Wednesday following the first Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., new City Hall facility.

Second Saturday in Old Town Bay St. Louis is now every Saturday from 4-8 p.m.

**THE ARTS, HANCOCK COUNTY, MEETS TO EXPLORE** funding for artists. The meeting is at 5 p.m. Sunday at 134 Blaize Avenue, next to Bay City Grill in Bay St. Louis.

**VOLUNTEER SERVICES** Do you have individuals or a group who want to provide voluntary relief services? Do you have a need for volunteer services? The Hancock County Volunteer Registration Center is currently operating at The Kiln Public Library. If you would like to donate services, call 321/837-6443. If you need services call 321/837-6441.

**CDL DRIVERS WANTED:** Coast Transit Authority is looking for people who possess a Commercial Driver's License with authorization to transport passengers (Class B) in order to drive public buses, or anyone willing to be trained.

To be employed by CTA call Kevin Coggin at 228/896-8080, ext. 212; or Kerry Hawes, transportation EOC, 228/466-8212.

**SEPARATE WASTE** All Hancock County residents are urged to assist

in efforts to speed up garbage and debris collection. Residents must separate waste in four categories: tree branches and/or yard waste from the storm; debris from houses or other structures; typical household waste placed in garbage bags; and household hazardous waste such as bleach, paint, motor, batteries and more. For more information call either 228/229-1162 or 228/229-1119.

## DEBRIS REMOVAL SIGN-UPS

Hancock County has begun right-of-entry (ROE) sign-up. If you would like the Army Corps of Engineers to remove dangerous or hazardous debris or structure from your private or non-profit property you must sign up at an ROE at one of the following locations. The following locations are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday.

Waveland - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Sunday at the Mayor's temporary office in a trailer. This is for Waveland residents only.  
Pearlington - Volunteer Fire Department Building  
Kiln - Public Library  
Bay St. Louis - Train Depot  
Diamondhead - Diamondhead POA Community Center  
The Market, Highway 90 and Waveland Ave.

**FOR STORM CLEAN UP INFORMATION** call 228/466-8233 or visit us at [www.hancockcountyeoc.blogspot.com](http://www.hancockcountyeoc.blogspot.com).

**SUPPORT SERVICES FOR AREA BUSINESSES** is available at the Business Service Center, Hwy 90 and Main Street in Bay St. Louis. Services include: wireless internet access, fax machine and copy services, staff, and counselors to review SBA loan packages. Hours of operation are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

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is accepting applications. This is a short-term loan to provide temporary working capital to viable, established small businesses. The minimum loan is \$1,000 to a maximum \$25,000. Go to [www.mississippi.org](http://www.mississippi.org) and download the application. Businesses may go to the Business Service Center to access the Internet or pick up an application.

## HANCOCK COUNTY LIBRARIES BEGIN NEW HOURS

The Bay St. Louis-Hancock County and Kiln public libraries are open 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday; 8:30 to 1 p.m. on Saturday. For information on services provided, call the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library at 228/467-5282 or the Kiln Public Library at 321/837-6440.

## THE DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER (DRC) HAS MOVED

to the Skate Park at 118 Auderer in Waveland (behind Daddy Os.) Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, closed Sunday.

## POINT OF DISTRIBUTION (POD)

**LOCATIONS** Gulfview Elementary and Pearlinton at the Elementary School. Effective today, the Bayou Talla site is operating at the Zuppardo's Bay Plaza on Highway 90 at Blue Meadow Road in Bay St. Louis; and, the POD at Sav-A-Center is at the New Waveland Café (Fred's) at Highway 90 and Waveland Avenue in Waveland.

**ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REMOVING WHITE GOODS** such as refrigerators, washer and dryers placed at the street (right-of-way.)

**UPDATES ON DOCTORS, DENTISTS AND MEDICAL CENTERS** are available by calling 228/867-5000.

## MEDICAL CARE SERVICES

are currently available at the:  
• Waveland Medical Center  
• Hancock Medical Center in Diamondhead  
• Kiln Clinic

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Dr. Patrick Cleveland and the Staff at Hancock County Animal Center are warmly welcomed.

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## THE FOLLOWING PHYSICIANS ARE SEEING PATIENTS:

### FAMILY PRACTICE:

Roberta Chilimigras, M.D. - Temporary office at her Waveland clinic  
Ron Kellum, M.D. - Indian Hill, Diamondhead  
David Roberts, M.D. - Gex Road, Diamondhead  
Opening soon: Sidney Chevis, M.D., Bay St. Louis

### INTERNAL MEDICINE:

James Crittenden, M.D. - Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m. till noon  
Call (228) 467-1414 for appointment  
Charles A. Kergosien, M.D. - Thurs., Shepherd Square, Diamondhead  
Irene Koskan, M.D. - Temporary office (to be announced)

### PEDIATRICS:

Scott Needle M.D. - Mondays & Wednesdays, 9 a.m. till noon, Shepherd Square, Diamondhead

### OB/GYN:

Noel Duplantier, M.D. - Gex Road, Diamondhead, M-F, 4-7 p.m.  
Call (228) 467-2555 for appointment  
Jerry Karabin, M.D. - Fridays, Shepherd Square, Diamondhead  
Dimitri Yanez, M.D. - Gex Road, Diamondhead, M-F, 4-7 p.m.  
Call (228) 467-2555 for appointment

### CARDIOLOGY:

Jay Libys, M.D. - Gex Road, Diamondhead by appointment

### GENERAL SURGERY:

Brian Anthony, M.D. - Temporary office at his Bay St. Louis clinic  
Joseph R. Lee, M.D. - Temporary office (to be announced)

### OPHTHALMOLOGY:

Allen Koskan, M.D. - Temporary office (to be announced)

### PODIATRY

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## Ageless Heroes.

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To nominate someone you admire as an Ageless Hero, visit the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi website at [www.bcbssms.com](http://www.bcbssms.com), or call 1-800-222-1331. The nomination deadline is November 15, 2005.



Visit [www.bcbssms.com](http://www.bcbssms.com) to nominate your Mississippi Ageless Hero.

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Port Bienville Clinic  
 Pearlinton Clinic at the  
 Pearlinton Elementary School  
 Loudon Medical Group operating from the  
 Old Train Depot in Bay Saint Louis

CALM-Rainbow Families at the Hudson Complex on Highway 90 in Bay Saint Louis

Adventist Community Team Services at the Hudson Complex on Highway 90  
 Flagler Community Hospital sponsored clinic at K-Mart and

ANG E-MED at the Hancock Medical Center. People impacted by Hurricane Katrina may also be eligible for extended Medicaid coverage.

Enrollment applications and additional information are available at all PODs and DRCs.

### COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE

If you are aware of children or adults who could be helped by mental health or substance abuse counseling services, help is available in Hancock County. Counselors are available from 9:00 a.m. til noon and 1-4 p.m. weekdays at the Gulf Coast Mental Health Center at 819 Central Ave. in Waveland (228/669-0888), at the DRC in Waveland, and the Pearl Mart location in Pearlinton.

You'll be able to recognize the counselors at the DRC and Pearl Mart by the orange polo shirts they wear.

### AMERICAN RED CROSS FINANCIAL CENTER CLOSED

Affected individuals should call 1-866-GET INFO (1-866-438-4636). This line will have general information, plus those in need will be able to leave their contact information so a Red Cross caseworker can return their calls.

**SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICES ARE OPEN** in Gulfport, Biloxi, Moss Point. For more information call 800-772-1213.

### ELECTRICAL PERMITS NECESSARY

order to get power restored. Residents of Waveland should visit the Waveland City Hall facilities on Coleman. Residents of Bay St. Louis and Hancock County should go to the 2nd floor of the Train Depot in Bay St. Louis.

**ELECTRICAL SERVICE** Mississippi Power, 1-800-487-3275, has waived the deposit/connection fee for current customers. Coast Electric Power Assn., 1-800-624-3348, requires no deposit for customers whose current bills are paid. Customers with bills in collection must pay that bill and a \$200 deposit. All Coast customers must pay an activation fee of \$30 and membership fee of \$5.

**MOLD REMOVAL INFORMATION** is available from EPA by calling 1-800-438-4318.

**NO FIRES. BURN BAN IS IN EFFECT** keep in mind that discarded cigarette butts can also ignite fires.

**HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** Officials have authorized spraying, which has begun, to reduce insects throughout the County.

**HANCOCK COUNTY OFFICES** Chancery Clerk Office functions for Land Research and Chancery Court Filings can be made in the Quonset huts at the Civic Center on Longfellow Drive. Delinquent Tax Collections, Tax Collector and Circuit Clerk office functions are located at the Kiln Tax Office Annex, Highway 603.

Justice Court and Veterans Service offices are located at Larsen's Complex, Highway 603. Hours for all county services are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

No weekend hours. Existing phone numbers for county offices are anticipated to be functional during the latter part of next week.

**HANCOCK COUNTY EOC** is located at the former Annunciation at 5370 Kiln Delisle Catholic School located Road in Kiln. You may contact it by calling 228/466-8250.

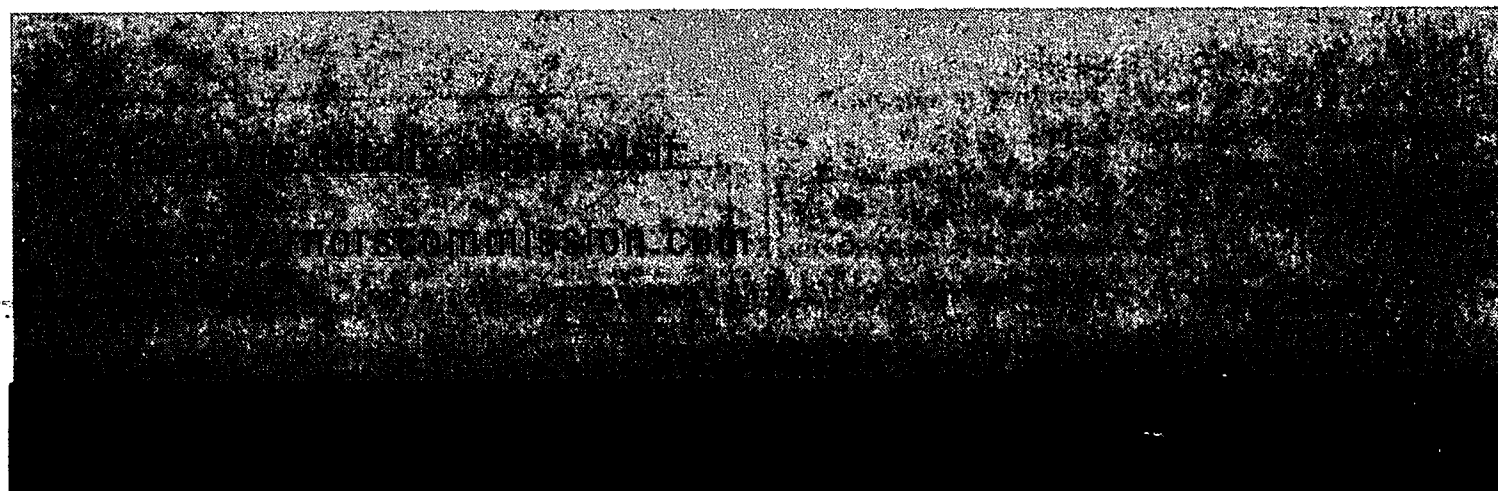
## GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION

The Governor's Commission is hosting a series of local meetings to hear citizens' visions for the region's future. All meetings are open to the public. Additional meetings will be announced soon.

## HANCOCK COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 27, 2005 - 3:30 pm

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To register, students must complete the MOLLI registration form, located at [www.mde.k12.ms.us/katrina](http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/katrina), have a parent/guardian sign it, and submit it to the school counselor for approval and processing. Forms are also available in local school counselors' offices.

**Deadline for registration is January 13, 2006.**

### Questions?

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# Opinion

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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

## Trailers for sale or rent ...

It was a great feeling Friday as Jane and I and our cat, Milo, made the journey from Baton Rouge to our FEMA travel trailer.

It took us several hours to pack every inch of our Chevrolet.

We knew there were several things not available in the Bay-Waveland area, so that increased our load.

In reviewing a report in Sunday's Echo, 3,254 travel trailers are now occupied in Hancock County. That's a lot of travel trailers, but they sure make good temporary housing.

The first night we slept in our trailer. Jane and I were awoken by the feeling of someone rocking our trailer.

Everything has been fine since then. The only problem is space is somewhat limited.

Before we moved back home, we were guests for two weeks in Baton Rouge at one of Jane's classmates at Bay High from the "Lost Community" of Logtown. The house was large mobile home, so we got a little practice before moving into our FEMA trailer.

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Sunday afternoon Jane and I took a break to make a drive along Beach Blvd. from the end of the seawall at the Jourdan to Bayou Caddy except a few blocks in downtown Bay St. Louis.

No matter how many pictures you see, you still have to see the destruction in person to fully realize its extent.

We are very lucky to be alive, as a community looks like it was hit by an atomic bomb.

Many of the volunteers I have talked to report that damage is much more than they thought it would be. Yet, through it all, as I have mentioned before, we have a light of hope.

That light of hope is all those wonderful people who are here and have been here offering a helping hand.

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Governor Haley Barbour's Commission on Recovery and Rebuilding is scheduled for this afternoon from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at

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## Herding more than cats

Trent Lott titled the memoir of his life in politics "Herding Cats," indicating a career as a party leader charged with rounding up wayward votes on Capitol Hill.

At least in the foreseeable future, it doesn't seem Trent will be burdened by that chore again. The only real question now left unanswered in the long political career of Trent Lott is whether it continues in the U.S. Senate beyond 2006.

In the epilogue of "Cats," Trent may have given us a clue.

After his ouster as Senate Majority Leader in 2003 over the "Strom Affair," Lott said he concluded: "I'd signed on as their (Mississippians') senator until 2006. And, at least until then, I

## Eyes on Mississippi

by Bill Minor

intended to continue doing my job."

Put me down as one who thinks Lott won't run for re-election next year. However, over the years, I've had more fun speculating about Trent's future than any other state politico.

Meantime, in penning his memoir (obviously with some help), Trent has given us a glimpse, and some surprises, into which inside players were involved with him in fashioning many of the major legislative deals he has pulled off. Perhaps many

Mississippians who have long regarded Lott as "Mr. Republican" will be most surprised to learn how much for quite a few years he has relied on the judgment of Dick Morris, the ruffled little Democratic pollster who was Bill Clinton's crisis guru, in cutting key legislative deals.

No doubt many also will be surprised by Lott's account of how as Senate Majority Leader in the 1990s, he worked backstairs with President Clinton to broker compromises even while Clinton was

regarded by Republicans nationally as the GOP's chief household devil.

Lott writes that the biggest legislative deal he made with Clinton--and Dick Morris in the background--was to get the monumental Welfare Reform Act of 1996 passed and signed into law. Despite heavy Democratic pressure to veto the bill (some of it from his wife, Hillary) Clinton signed the measure. Morris, Lott writes, was his key intermediary in persuading Clinton to sign the bill.

The Senate impeachment trial of President Clinton over the Monica Lewinsky affair handed him the most critical task of his time as Majority Leader, Lott writes. And possibly history will judge his role in bringing

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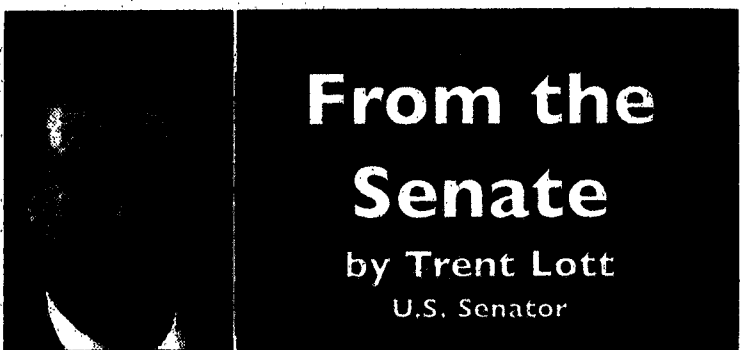


## Tapping Alaska's Energy

The Senate is moving forward with plans to tap domestic oil and gas deposits in the Alaskan National Wildlife Reserve or ANWR. Just this week, the Senate's Energy and Natural Resources Committee agreed to authorize the issuance of oil and gas leases in a small area of ANWR, as part of the Senate's proposed fiscal year 2006 budget.

In Katrina's aftermath, with gasoline and diesel at \$3 per gallon, I applaud and support this move.

As you know, special interest groups for years



## From the Senate

by Trent Lott  
U.S. Senator

have hamstrung this plan, citing inaccurate and downright hysterical reasons, including inferences that ANWR energy production will endanger caribou populations. Well, we don't have too many caribou in Mississippi, but I'm told by my friends from Alaska -- where 75 percent of its residents support ANWR exploration.

by the way -- that there's no reason to believe the caribou can't coexist with mankind at ANWR. In fact, according to recent surveys, the caribou herd near Alaska's existing Prudhoe Bay oil field is near its highest recorded level.

In Mississippi we understand the debate. Our state has oil and gas exploration off our coast.

Years ago some people and groups opposed that, projecting an apocalyptic impact on marine animals.

Fast forward to the present day where, as any coast angler knows, the best fishing is right off an oil or gas rig, where fish populations now abound. History tells us that oil and gas development can coexist with a healthy environment.

It is done every day. In fact, today's oil and gas exploration technology is so advanced that we can tap underground energy pockets with virtually no surface foot-

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the trial to a speedy end, without the nation being torn apart by witnessing lurid testimony aired before the Senate, as Lott's most significant achievement.

However, badgered with a great many House Republican conservatives who wanted blood in the Clinton impeachment trial, Lott's dealings across party lines to get the trial speedily concluded (and leaving Clinton in office) was seen as an unforgivable caving-in to Democrats.

But from an historical standpoint, the hour-by-hour, day-by-day bargaining Lott describes that took place leading up to the beginning of the trial in the Senate January 8, 1998 makes for fascinating insight into how close the nation came to seeing an irreparable fault line ripped in its governmental foundation.

"Cats" goes back to Lott's early life as the son of a Carroll County sharecropper who not long after World War II took a job in Pascagoula's booming Ingalls shipyard and moved his young family to the coast city. He tells, but possibly with a slightly dressed-up version, of father Chester's losing battle with booze, and the bust-up of his parents' marriage.

But what Trent doesn't discuss is the period of his student years at Ole Miss when he was draft-age during the Vietnam War but managed to keep from being drafted, while never signing up for any branch of military service.

Thanks to some diligent research in a 1998 magazine article by Mississippian Curtis Wilkie, formerly of the Boston Globe and now a journalism professor at

Ole Miss, we learn that Lott, much like Bill Clinton had done, stayed out of the Vietnam draft by getting four student deferments.

Twice, in 1963 and again in 1964, he was given a 2-S (student) deferment by the Jackson County Draft Board, but in 1965 was reclassified 1-A (available for service) for six months in 1965, until he obtained another 2-S exemption. Finally in 1967 shortly before graduating from law school and after his son was born he got a 3-A classification (extreme hardship to dependents) freeing him of the draft.

Trent, as his memoir confirms, has been an over-achiever and perfectionist ever since grade school, and while not gifted with a keen intellect, he has proved for most of 35 years in politics, he has a keen sense of timing.

So, who would have thought that a guy who has neatly organized his life would have lost the biggest political leadership job he ever had--Senate Majority Leader--by a self-inflicted wound?

That, of course, was the famous "Strom Affair," the words of praise Trent heaped on his Senate colleague, Strom Thurmond, at Strom's 100th birthday. But in doing so Trent praised Thurmond's run for president back in 1948 on a segregationist platform.

As his fellow Republicans yanked his leadership post out from under him, George W. Bush, whom Trent had thought his best friend among seven presidents he had served under, stood by and let it happen even while claiming Pilate-like neutrality.

From "Cats" we can

easily draw the conclusion that the failure of Bush to help him was the deepest cut Trent suffered in his fall from grace, and power.

Out of his ego-crushing experience, however, Lott seems to have become not only free-spirited, but also a much nicer guy.

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## Lott -- tapping in

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print. Perhaps the most compelling statistic for tapping ANWR's vast energy resources is that out of millions of acres in this refuge, only 2,000 acres will be impacted by any development. To illustrate technology's advances, I'm told that if the Prudhoe Bay oil field were built today, technology would allow it to be almost 70 percent smaller.

Out of the 250,000 to 750,000 jobs ANWR is estimated to create, you can expect Mississippi to be affected, too. After all, we have about 20,000 petroleum industry jobs in our state, and we have several Mississippi companies already doing business in Alaskan oilfields. I could give one rational

reason after another about why it makes sense to tap ANWR, but perhaps the best reason can be found at your local fuel station, where gas and diesel prices are getting dangerously high. Our dependence on foreign oil gets more precarious every day. Conservation is great, and we've got to include this in any national energy strategy. But it's not enough.

Our economic and national security could depend on our ability to pump and refine domestic energy assets. Now part of this, in my view, is that oil company profits are way too big. I've personally told several oil company executives that, considering how our nation is reeling

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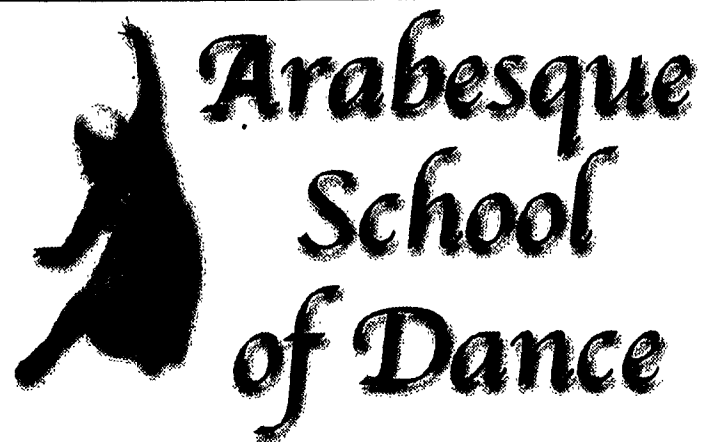
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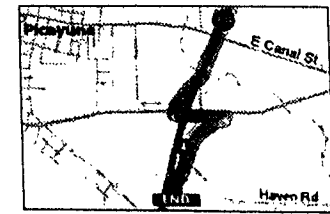
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# Opinion

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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

## Trailers for sale or rent ...

It was a great feeling Friday as Jane and I and our cat, Milo, made the journey from Baton Rouge to our FEMA travel trailer.

It took us several hours to pack every inch of our Chevrolet.

We knew there were several things not available in the Bay-Waveland area, so that increased our load.

In reviewing a report in Sunday's Echo, 3,254 travel trailers are now occupied in Hancock County. That's a lot of travel trailers, but they sure make good temporary housing.

The first night we slept in our trailer, Jane and I were awoken by the feeling of someone rocking our trailer.

Everything has been fine since then. The only problem is space is somewhat limited.

Before we moved back home, we were guests for two weeks in Baton Rouge at one of Jane's classmates at Bay High from the "Lost Community" of Logtown. The house was large mobile home, so we got a little practice before moving into our FEMA trailer.

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Sunday afternoon Jane and I took a break to make a drive along Beach Blvd. from the end of the seawall at the Jourdan to Bayou Caddy except a few blocks in downtown Bay St. Louis.

No matter how many pictures you see, you still have to see the destruction in person to fully realize its extent.

We are very lucky to be alive, as a community looks like it was hit by an atomic bomb.

Many of the volunteers I have talked to report that damage is much more than they thought it would be. Yet, through it all, as I have mentioned before, we have a light of hope.

That light of hope is all those wonderful people who are here and have been here offering a helping hand.

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Governor Haley Barbour's Commission on Recovery and Rebuilding is scheduled for this afternoon from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at

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## Herding more than cats

Trent Lott titled the memoir of his life in politics "Herding Cats," indicating a career as a party leader charged with rounding up wayward votes on Capitol Hill.

At least in the foreseeable future, it doesn't seem Trent will be burdened by that chore again. The only real question now left unanswered in the long political career of Trent Lott is whether it continues in the U.S. Senate beyond 2006.

In the epilogue of "Cats," Trent may have given us a clue.

After his ouster as Senate Majority Leader in 2003 over the "Strom Affair," Lott said he concluded: "I'd signed on as their (Mississippians') senator until 2006. And, at least until then, I

intended to continue doing my job."

Put me down as one who thinks Lott won't run for re-election next year. However, over the years, I've had more fun speculating about Trent's future than any other state politico.

Meantime, in penning his memoir (obviously with some help), Trent has given us a glimpse, and some surprises, into which inside players were involved with him in fashioning many of the major legislative deals he has pulled off.

Perhaps many

Mississippians who have long regarded Lott as "Mr. Republican" will be most surprised to learn how much for quite a few years he has relied on the judgment of Dick Morris, the ruffled little Democratic pollster who was Bill Clinton's crisis guru, in cutting key legislative deals.

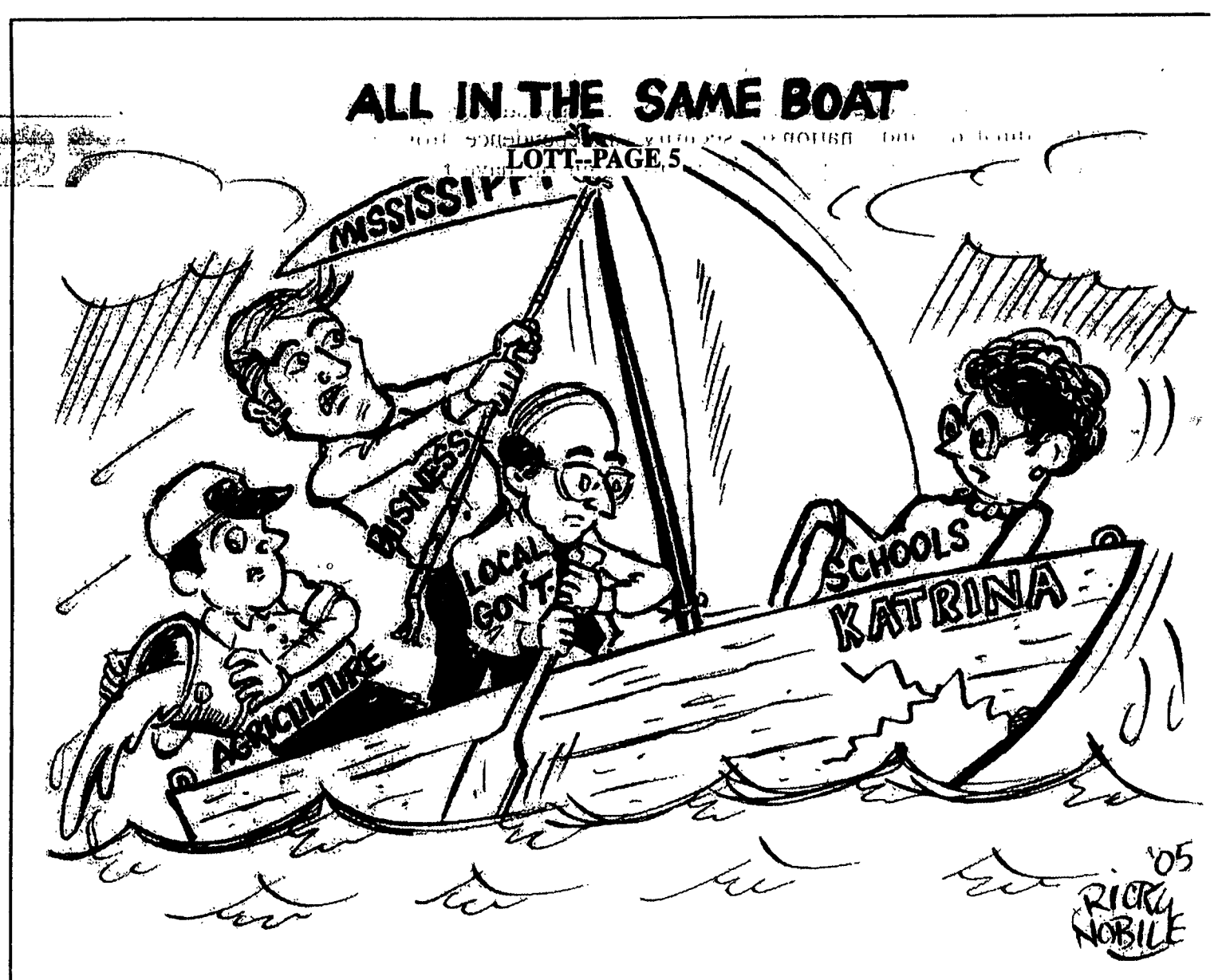
No doubt many also will be surprised by Lott's account of how as Senate Majority Leader in the 1990s, he worked backstairs with President Clinton to broker compromises even while Clinton was

regarded by Republicans nationally as the GOP's chief household devil.

Lott writes that the biggest legislative deal he made, with Clinton--and Dick Morris in the background--was to get the monumental Welfare Reform Act of 1996 passed and signed into law. Despite heavy Democratic pressure to veto the bill (some of it from his wife, Hillary) Clinton signed the measure. Morris, Lott writes, was his key intermediary in persuading Clinton to sign the bill.

The Senate impeachment trial of President Clinton over the Monica Lewinsky affair handed him the most critical task of his time as Majority Leader, Lott writes. And possibly history will judge his role in bringing

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## Tapping Alaska's Energy

The Senate is moving forward with plans to tap domestic oil and gas deposits in the Alaskan National Wildlife Reserve or ANWR. Just this week, the Senate's Energy and Natural Resources Committee agreed to authorize the issuance of oil and gas leases in a small area of ANWR, as part of the Senate's proposed fiscal year 2006 budget.

In Katrina's aftermath, with gasoline and diesel at \$3 per gallon, I applaud and support this move.

As you know, special interest groups for years

## From the Senate

by Trent Lott  
U.S. Senator

have hamstrung this plan, citing inaccurate and downright hysterical reasons, including inferences that ANWR energy production will endanger caribou populations. Well, we don't have too many caribou in Mississippi, but I'm told by my friends from Alaska -- where 75 percent of its residents support ANWR exploration.

by the way -- that there's no reason to believe the caribou can't coexist with mankind at ANWR. In fact, according to recent surveys, the caribou herd near Alaska's existing Prudhoe Bay oil field is near its highest recorded level.

In Mississippi we understand the debate. Our state has oil and gas exploration off our coast.

Years ago some people and groups opposed that, projecting an apocalyptic impact on marine animals.

Fast forward to the present day where, as any coast angler knows, the best fishing is right off an oil or gas rig, where fish populations now abound. History tells us that oil and gas development can coexist with a healthy environment.

It is done every day. In fact, today's oil and gas exploration technology is so advanced that we can tap underground energy pockets with virtually no surface foot-

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the trial to a speedy end, without the nation being torn apart by witnessing lurid testimony aired before the Senate, as Lott's most significant achievement.

However, badgered with a great many House Republican conservatives who wanted blood in the Clinton impeachment trial, Lott's dealings across party lines to get the trial speedily concluded (and leaving Clinton in office) was seen as an unforgivable caving-in to Democrats.

But from an historical standpoint, the hour-by-hour, day-by-day bargaining Lott describes that took place leading up to the beginning of the trial in the Senate January 8, 1998 makes for fascinating insight into how close the nation came to seeing an irreparable fault line ripped in its governmental foundation.

"Cats" goes back to Lott's early life as the son of a Carroll County sharecropper who not long after World War II took a job in Pascagoula's booming Ingalls shipyard and moved his young family to the coast city. He tells, but possibly with a slightly dressed-up version, of father Chester's losing battle with booze, and the bust-up of his parents' marriage.

But what Trent doesn't discuss is the period of his student years at Ole Miss when he was drafted during the Vietnam War but managed to keep from being drafted, while never signing up for any branch of military service.

Thanks to some diligent research in a 1998 magazine article by Mississippian Curtis Wilkie, formerly of the Boston Globe and now a journalism professor at

Ole Miss, we learn that Lott, much like Bill Clinton had done, stayed out of the Vietnam draft by getting four student deferments.

Twice, in 1963 and again in 1964, he was given a 2-S (student) deferment by the Jackson County Draft Board, but in 1965 was reclassified 1-A (available for service) for six months in 1965, until he obtained another 2-S exemption. Finally in 1967 shortly before graduating from law school and after his son was born he got a 3-A classification (extreme hardship to dependents) freeing him of the draft.

Trent, as his memoir confirms, has been an over-achiever and perfectionist ever since grade school, and while not gifted with a keen intellect, he has proved for most of 35 years in politics, he has a keen sense of timing.

So, who would have thought that a guy who has neatly organized his life would have lost the biggest political leadership job he ever had--Senate Majority Leader--by a self-inflicted wound?

That, of course, was the famous "Strom Affair," the words of praise Trent heaped on his Senate colleague, Strom Thurmond, at Strom's 100th birthday. But in doing so Trent praised Thurmond's run for president back in 1948 on a segregationist platform.

As his fellow Republicans yanked his leadership post out from under him, George W. Bush, whom Trent had thought his best friend among seven presidents he had served under, stood by and let it happen even while claiming Pilate-like neutrality.

From "Cats" we can

easily draw the conclusion that the failure of Bush to help him was the deepest cut Trent suffered in his fall from grace, and power.

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## Lott -- tapping in

print. Perhaps the most compelling statistic for tapping ANWR's vast energy resources is that out of millions of acres in this refuge, only 2,000 acres will be impacted by any development. To illustrate technology's advances, I'm told that if the Prudhoe Bay oil field were built today, technology would allow it to be almost 70 percent smaller.

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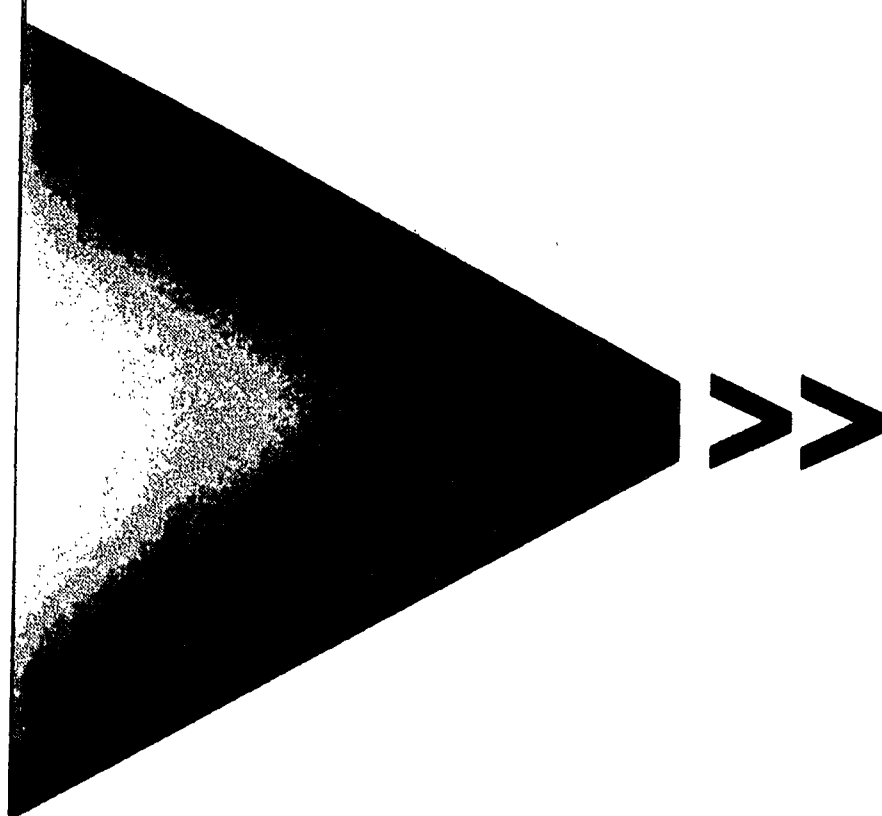
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## Bay -- trailer park plan

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area. There are a whole bunch of people living in our offices and on the floors (and in tents)."

Brettle said Stennis had executed an interagency agreement with FEMA to place 167 travel-trailers in the lot behind Urgent Care at Hwy. 90 and Drinkwater, next to where the Wheel Inn trailer park already exists. Stennis would take care of the costs to place the trailers, install and maintain a new sewer lift station and other necessary utilities; build a fence and landscape the area to make it as nice as possible for the tenants, for their neighbors and for the city of Bay St. Louis; and pay for 24-hour, on-site maintenance.

The park would only be temporary, he said — the contract with FEMA only lasts for 18 months. After that, all the trailers would be removed and everything would be dismantled, restoring the lot to its current condition.

"We're trying to make this as civilized as we can for people," Brettle said. "The bottom line is, we've got people living on the ground. We've got to get them in a home. ... We want this to be temporary, because we don't want them to be living in trailers. ... NASA does not want to be in the trailer park business."

However, he said, people are moving away from Bay St. Louis at an

alarming rate, simple because they have no decent place to live after Katrina.

Stennis has earmarked 20 of the trailers for Bay-Waveland School District teachers and their families; and 38 for nurses at Hancock Medical Center and their families, Brettle said.

Councilman Jim Thriffiley said it was "disappointing" that Stennis had been working on this project for the past month, but not spoken with the council about it until Tuesday evening. He also said he was reluctant to be one of the people responsible for creating a new trailer park in the city — "I'm real worried about the impact it's going to have," he said.

Both Thriffiley and Councilman-at-Large Bill Taylor asked if the time-frame for the facility could be lowered from 18 months to six. Taylor also said he was afraid there were some Bay St. Louis residents who would be upset if they were unable to get lodging at the facility when some people from St. Tammany Parish definitely would.

Councilman Jeffrey Reed asked if there would be room at the facility for some of his constituents in the Third Ward who had been displaced — especially those whose homes at the Bay St. Louis housing devel-

opment which was recently torn down due to storm damage.

Thriffiley said the council needed more time to study the proposal.

"Shame on us," Councilman Doug Seal said. "If we had done our homework the week of the storm, we wouldn't be facing this right now. We'd have sites for these trailers."

Seal said he was in favor of accepting Stennis's proposal.

"I'm not understanding this resistance to this offer," James Osborne, a Bay St. Louis resident in the audience, told councilmen. "People are living in moldy houses and in tents. It's going to be a temporary thing. The winter's coming, for Christ's sake."

"You have people in desperate, desperate states right now and Stennis is offering something you can't deliver, that FEMA can't deliver. ... We need 10 more of these things."

"Our goal right now is to build Bay St. Louis back the way it was," Favre said. "It's a shame we've got to put people in (travel-trailers), but the sooner they get accommodations they can live in, hopefully it's going to be easier for them to start the rebuilding process."

Seal said the council should use Wednesday to do a quick site review

and reconvene today to consider getting the project started as quickly as possible.

The council is scheduled to meet today at 5 p.m. at the Depot to vote on the matter.

In other action Tuesday:

• The Council approved Building Inspector Bill Carrigee's recommendation to increase the freeboard requirement to four feet in flood zones A and V so that the city could begin issuing building permits yesterday for people whose homes were more than 50 percent damaged during Hurricane Katrina. Carrigee said the new FEMA flood zone maps won't be out for another couple of years. Until that time, people can rebuild at the four-foot freeboard level. Carrigee said that it looks like FEMA's flood zone plans were going to require people to rebuild their homes with the lowest board at excessively high levels. "Whatever you're going to build, do it now before you get new maps," Carrigee said.

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## Building -- county

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in a lifetime storm. But Lagasse said that unless flood plain guidelines are followed, the county stands to lose access to flood insurance.

Just how high will people be required to build? The answer depends largely on the elevation at your homes location. To determine the recommended height to conform to flood plain standards, property owners should come to the building office at the Depot with a copy of their elevation certificate.

Lagasse said the certificate should ideally be no more than two years old. Many of the building office records on elevation were lost, he said. If you do not have an elevation certificate, go to the building office for advice before you need your permit. Permits for repairs and rebuilding are free. There will be a charge for permits for new construction.

Lagasse is recommending a four foot freeboard above and beyond the federal requirements. For now, those repairing or reconstructing houses with less than 50 percent damage will be allowed to rebuild to current standards. Complete rebuilds or new construction may have to conform to more stringent standards. The building office will advise you when you apply for permits. Those grandfathered at lower

than current standards may also be required to rebuild to current or more stringent standards.

Lagasse said the according to a recent inspection by FEMA and MEMA of the 5,000 plus damaged homes in the area, 4,000 plus are damaged more than 50 percent of their value. Of those, about 30 percent are damaged more than 80 percent, he said. To get your own inspection of damage you should contact an independent contractor, Lagasse said.

In other business:

- The large dump site on Jordan River Drive off Washington Ave. is a

temporary sorting and staging area. The land has been contracted for a year, said county attorney Ronnie Artigues.

• The county is still trying to work out the legal details of "continuos pile" pickup of debris. Until then debris must be moved to the rights of way for pickup. You can still sign up for private property pickup.

• Corps of Engineers representative Rusty Rutherford said that either the Corps or the Coast Guard will be cleaning out the non-navigable waterways. Not details have been worked out.

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## Hancock County's Katrina death toll climbs to 50

### SEA COAST ECHO

The Hancock County death toll increased to 50 hurricane related fatalities with the discovery of a victim last Friday, nearly seven weeks after Hurricane Katrina.

The victim was recovered in Hancock County north of Bay St. Louis near the Jordan River.

Two active recovery searches remain underway in the county. In addition, efforts to identify other potential victims are on-going.

Hancock County Coroner Norma Stiglet said on Monday that one of the victims, Linda

Mims of Bay St. Louis, has not yet been claimed by family members. Anyone with information about Mims' next-of-kin, should call Stiglet or Edmond Fahey Funeral Home at 467-9032.

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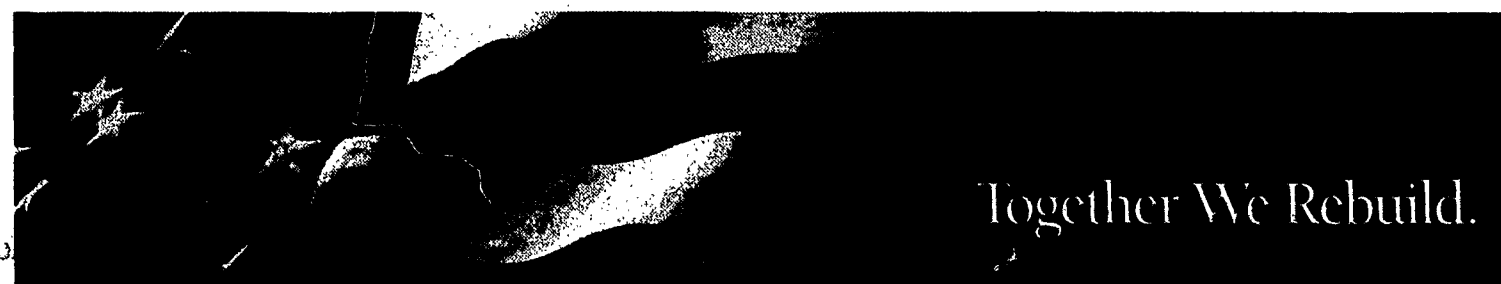
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Friday, October 28—

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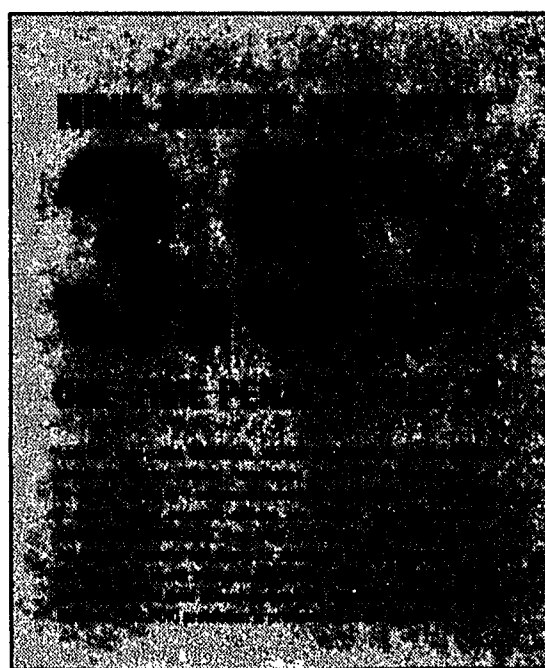
Church, 795 Memorial Avenue, Picayune Plaza in Picayune. The Job Fair is free and open to the public. "This is a regional job fair and all residents of Hancock County are encouraged to attend," said Tish Williams, Director of the Hancock Chamber. If

you go, you will have the chance to meet with many employers with employment opportunities in a variety of fields. For additional information, contact the Win Job Center at 601-798-3472 or go on line to [www.jobfairs.ms.gov](http://www.jobfairs.ms.gov) for a list of registered employers.



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## Cold weather ahead for those still in tents after hurricane

### SEA COAST ECHO

Those displaced by Hurricane Katrina who are still housed in tents face some chilly nights through the weekend.

The National Weather Service forecast for Kiln tonight (Tuesday) is 39 degrees — a mere 4 degrees above the town's record low for Oct. 25, set in 1985.

Wednesday night's predicted low was 42 degrees; Thursday's is 45; Friday's is 47; and Saturday's forecast low is 48.

A few pointers can help those in tents stay warm; just remember COLD: C is for Clean. Because insulation is only effective when heat is trapped by dead air spaces, keep your insulating layers clean and fluffy. Dirt, grime and perspiration can mat down those air spaces and reduce the warmth of

a garment.

O is for Overheating. Avoid overheating by adjusting the layers of your clothing to meet the outside temperature and the exertions of your activities. Excessive sweating can dampen your garments and cause chilling later on.

L is for Loose Layers. A steady flow of warm blood is essential to keep all parts of your body heated. Wear several loosely fitting layers of clothing and footwear that will allow maximum insulation without impeding your circula-

tion.

D is for Dry. Damp clothing and skin can cause your body to cool quickly, possibly leading to frostbite and hypothermia. Keep dry by avoiding cotton clothes that absorb moisture. Keep the clothing around your neck loosened so that body heat and moisture can escape instead of soaking several layers of clothing.

Another potential danger for tent-dwellers: Fire.

The USDA Forest Service offers this advice: Build fires in a

safe area. Never use a flame or any other heating device inside a tent. Use a flashlight or battery-powered light instead. Your open fires and fuel-burning appliances must be far enough away from the tent to prevent ignition from sparks, flames, and heat.

Make sure your fires are always attended. Be sure you have an area for a fire that cannot spread laterally or vertically — a grill or stone surface is ideal. Embers within the pile have a tendency to reignite later.

## Medicaid offering health coverage

Medicaid is allowing residents without health coverage to apply for federal support in order to pay for expenses in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

The number of free medical clinics is diminishing.

Residents without private medical coverage should complete a two-page form to receive the benefits.

Upon approval from Medicaid, individuals will typically receive five months of coverage from Medicaid. Pregnant women qualify for extended care. You may complete a Medicaid application at one of the following locations:

FEMA Site in Poplarville, 1403 S. Main St., Suite E, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

FEMA site at Picayune, 1305 S. Haugh St. (by CentriPlex), 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

Site in Picayune at WIN Center, 1839 Cooper Road (next to Medicaid > Office) 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

FEMA Site in Wiggins, 530 D. Central Avenue (Old Dollar Store), 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

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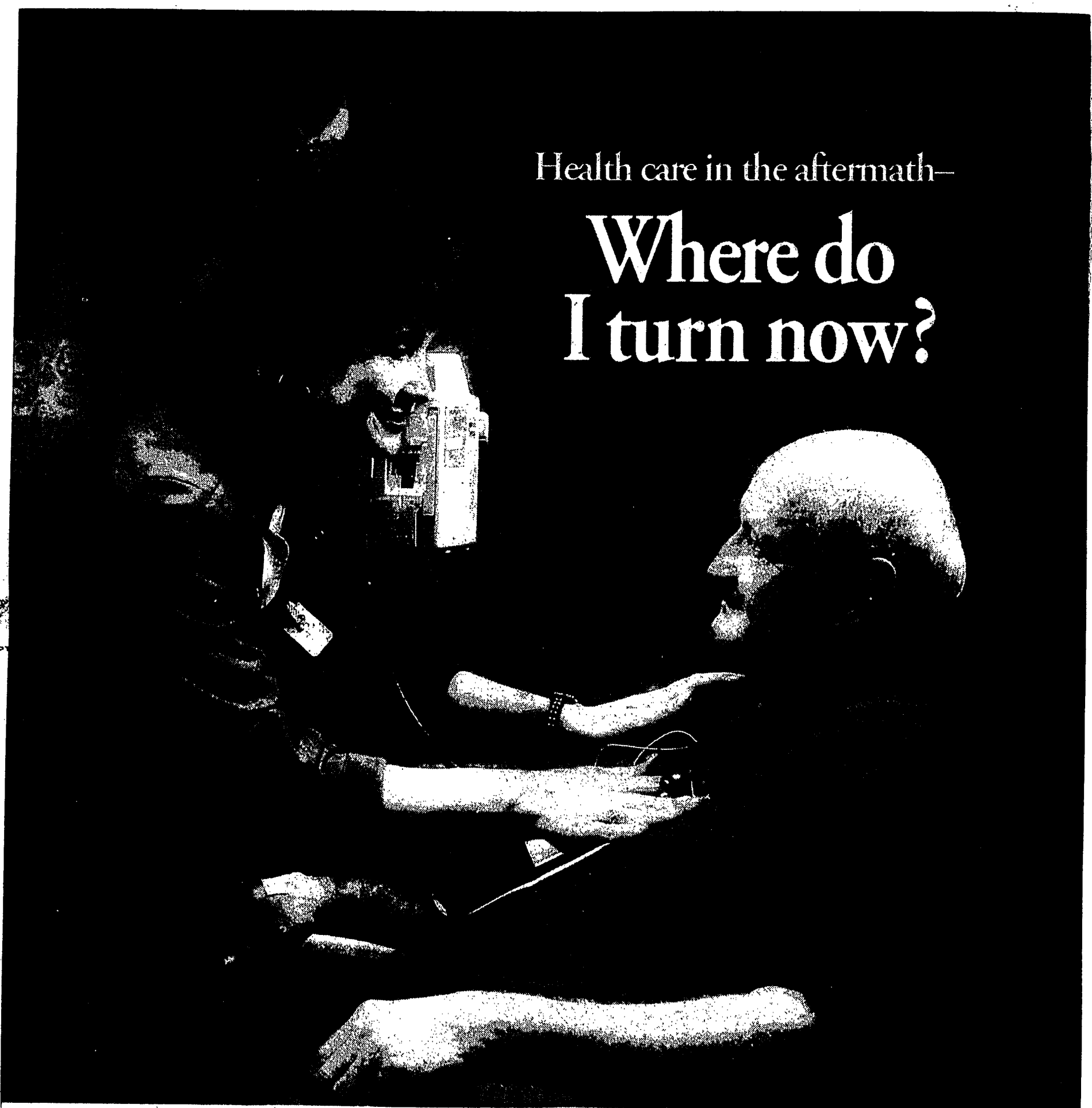
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# Bay-Waveland Schools adopt new dress code in wake of hurricane

The school community has suffered personal hardships due to Hurricane Katrina. Recognizing that families are facing challenging times, the uniform dress policy has been modified for the remainder of the 2005-2006 school year. Dress and grooming codes are based upon sound foundations. These rules will be enforced and interpreted by the administrator of the school. Students will not be allowed to attend class until the violation is corrected.

## Policy

Schools within the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District shall abide by a mandatory student uniform dress code for all students. Due process procedures provided in Section 37-7-335 of the Mississippi Code shall be followed in the administration of this policy.

- This dress code outlines the only acceptable form of attire approved to be worn by students in this district.

- Every component of student attire should be appropriate in length and size.

- Appropriate is defined as that which properly covers the body and which is in good taste.

- The principal shall have the final decision about the appropriateness of the length/size of clothing.

- Shorts, skorts, or

jumpers may not exceed three (3) inches above the top of the kneecap.

- All teachers will monitor student dress and send those students who, in their opinion, are dressed inappropriately to the principal.

- Undergarments should never be visible.

- Platform shoes, flip-flops, stiletto heels, and any other shoe deemed unsafe by the administration are prohibited. All shoes must be properly fastened.

## Other Considerations

Each student has the responsibility to dress appropriately for the school environment. Wearing apparel, hair, and general appearance shall not disrupt the school environment, shall not be unusually provocative, or shall not violate health and safety rules of the school. These guidelines for dress and grooming are provided to assist parents and shall apply to all students in the public schools of Bay St. Louis and Waveland. Student dress and grooming shall be neat, clean and follow the general guidelines below.

1. Shirts must be sleeved and tucked into pants, skirts, slacks, shorts or skorts.

2. Belts are mandatory for grades 4-12 for clothing with belt loops. Pants, shorts, skorts may not have belt loops removed.

3. Students are prohibited from wearing additional "patches", pins,

tattoos, earrings, jewelry, or any other item that may be considered lewd, profane, obscene, suggestive, vulgar, or distracting which may harass, threaten, intimidate, or demean other groups; or which display illegal merchandise or contraband; or any item which may distract from the educational process. Any heavy type chains used to attach wallets or as decorative use are prohibited. Visible body piercing is not allowed, including but not limited to tongue piercing.

4. Head coverings, including but not limited to caps, hats, bandannas, "doo" rags, hair curlers, sunglasses, or any "gang" paraphernalia, is prohibited. Exceptions to any head covering may include a hair net or cap required where long hair poses a health or safety threat near open flames, moving machines, or in food preparation classes or where required by a physician.

5. Oversize clothing is prohibited. The waistband of shorts, slacks, skirts, and similar garments shall not be worn below the waist. If belts, suspenders, or straps are worn, they shall be worn in place and fastened. "Sagging" and/or "low-riding" is prohibited.

6. Designer/theatrical contact lens may not be worn, whether prescription or not. Sunglasses or shades may not be worn.

7. Gang-identifiable tattoos cannot be visible;

they must be covered.

8. No facial jewelry is allowed including tongue jewelry. Earrings in ears are permissible. No sticks in ears are allowed. Any articles of clothing or jewelry that may cause injury to oneself or other students are not allowed.

9. Notched eyebrows, designs in hair, or unnatural multicolored hair are not allowed.

## Teacher dress code

The Board expects all staff members to dress in a manner that is generally acceptable in the business and professional setting. Staff may wear jeans, colored denim pants, t-shirts, athletic shoes and any other dress that the principal considers to be acceptable to the educational process. Male teachers shall wear, at a minimum, dress/casual pants and dress shirts. Additionally, staff should meet all expectations of the student dress code.

Exceptions to this policy are allowed for field day, dress down days, and other special occasions as designated by the administration. During physical education and coaching sessions, instructors may wear appropriate attire for those duties. Coaches should follow the dress code when teaching academic courses.

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## Katrina's damage to boats at \$750M

### THE ECHO

Boat Owners Association of The United States, the nation's leading organization for recreational boaters, estimates that damage to recreational vessels as a result of Hurricane Katrina is between \$650 to \$750 million. Of that amount only about half, or \$300 to \$400 million in damage, was covered by insurance.

Katrina's losses far surpass last year's four hurricane total of about \$330 million in damages as well as the \$500 million in losses attributed to 1992's Hurricane Andrew - which until now was believed to be the single most costly natural catastrophe to effect recreational boating. Hurricane Katrina also destroyed an estimated 75% of the marinas along 150 miles of the Gulf Coast.

The BoatU.S. Marine

Insurance Catastrophe Response Team is working in all three affected states of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. Carroll Robertson, senior vice president of Claims for BoatU.S. Marine Insurance, says that she expects claims activity to subside in Alabama and Mississippi in the next few weeks as boats are located, surveyed and processed for repairs or salvage. "However, there is still a lot of work to do in Louisiana," said Robertson, who adds that the sheer size and severity of destruction in the state, in addition to evacuations and security restrictions, have slowed recovery efforts.

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# Sports

## Loss sends Bay into 3-way tie for lead in 8-4A race; Labat & Adams earn honors

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The Bay High Tigers dropped into a three-way tie for the lead in the Division 8-4A football race. The Tigers (4-1, 3-1) suffered their first loss of the season in Picayune by the score of 23-20. The Hancock Hawks (0-5, 0-4) and the Pass Christian Pirates (1-4, 0-3) were both shutout on Friday night by Moss Point and Vancleave, respectively. The score of the Hancock game was 41-0 while Vancleave beat Pass Christian 68-0.

The Tigers entered Friday's game in sole possession of first place in the Division 8-4A title hunt; however, a strong-willed Picayune team held off a late Tiger rally to defeat Bay High 23-20. The Tigers were down 16-6 at halftime. The only points Bay High put on the board in the first half came when Robert Labat sparked the crowd with his electrifying 98-yard kickoff return that cut the

Picayune lead to 7-6.

The Tigers spotted the Tide another touchdown to start the second half on a 54-yard touchdown pass that made the score 23-6. However, from there it was all Bay High as the Tigers gave the Tide everything they wanted and a little more.

The Tigers reached deep into their pocket and pulled out the famed hook-and-ladder play that worked to perfection. Tyler Brush tossed a 6-yard completion to Jason Sims who pitched it to a streaking Tony Connetti. He raced 54-yards for the score and made the tally 23-13.

A quick three-and-out stand by the Tiger defense led by Trevor Adam, Cory Thornton and company gave the Tigers an opportunity to get into a groove. Brush connected with a wide-open Jason Sims who tucked the ball and finished off a 64-yard scoring pass-catch combo. The score was 23-20.

before the end of the third quarter of play.

The fourth quarter was a defensive battle between the two teams.

With a little less than four minutes remaining, the Tigers appeared to get the break they needed. Brush hooked up with Labat in the middle of the field for a 32-yard scoring strike only to see it come back on a procedure penalty. The Tigers settled for a 42-yard field goal attempt that fell short.

The Tigers are now in a three-way tie for the division championship with Long Beach and Picayune. The winner may ultimately be decided by a point differential in the coming weeks.

The Tigers will play their last two regular season games at home in the confines of Joe D. McCullough Stadium. On Friday, the Tigers step out of division play to host Tylertown. The following week Bay High will host the Pearl

River Central Blue Devils in a must-win Division 8-4A showdown to end the regular season.

The Hancock Hawks put up a valiant fight at Brett Favre Field in Kiln against the perennial contender Moss Point Tigers. The Tigers shut down the Hawks with a 41-0 win. Moss Point enjoyed a 24-0 halftime lead over the Hawks.

Hancock is scheduled to play George County in Lucedale on Friday night. The Rebels defeated the Admirals of Gulfport 30-20 last Saturday.

The Pass Christian Pirates were defeated by the Vancleave Bulldogs in non-division play 68-0 last Friday. The gutsy Pirates fell behind 41-0 by halftime as the Bulldogs racked up 370 rushing yards in the game.

The Pirates opponent for Friday night was not

available to the paper at press time. However, the game will be played on the road since the Pirates' home field was decimated by the storm surge from Hurricane Katrina.

The Offensive Player of the Week for Week Six is Bay High's Robert Labat who tallied 122

total yards including a 98-yard kickoff return.

The Defensive Player of the Week for Week Six is Bay High's Trevor Adam. The senior line-backer made 17 total stops in the 23-20 loss to Picayune including seven solos, one forced fumble and a sack.

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## PRCC Wins



Pearl River's Erin Holder (25) makes a head shot in the Lady Wildcats' 5-4 double-overtime victory over Mississippi Delta Saturday in MACJC Tournament action Saturday on the Hinds CC campus in Raymond. PRCC defeated Hinds 2-1 on Sunday for its first-ever women's state championship. Holder is a sophomore from Oak Grove. — Photo By Mitch Deaver

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San Francisco volunteer Jason Burwan prints out information in one of the school bus homes at the volunteer center in Waveland. Echo staff photos by Bennie Shellbetter

## A Dome of their Own

BY BENNIE  
SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

Geodesic domes, tie dye, and organic food in Waveland? It's true—the Hudson's/ Waveland Market shopping center has become the center for a loosely tied group of volunteers who are no strangers to feeding large gatherings of people. With their dread locks, beads and colorful dress, they may not look like locals, but after almost two months in the area, many feel that this is home, at least for now.

The group is loosely united as a result of attending "rainbow gatherings" in national forests across the country. The gatherings are family events that may last for weeks and center around good food, good conversation, cooperation, and healthy living. Volunteers come from all across the country and are united by their desire to help, by sharing food and a positive environment.

Volunteers serve three meals a day to anywhere from 800 to 1,500 people and are eager to continue helping as many people as possible. They will stay until the numbers in need drop to acceptable levels, or at least until Thanksgiving. After that Wisconsin volunteer Clovis Seimon, says they would like local volunteers to take over, hopefully in paid positions. He and others are looking for a grant to fund such a project.

Each of the volunteers has his or her own reason for being at the center, but all seem to be united by a genuine desire to offer a nurturing environment, especially through food at the New Waveland Cafe.

Philadelphia resident Anne Mackell has been feeding the hungry since she was a young teen and delivered peanut butter



Geodesic domes house the cafe and other activities at the Rainbow center in Waveland.

and jelly sandwiches to the homeless in the city. She has continued to volunteer where she sees the need.

Seimon, through family connections arranged for Organic Valley foods to deliver semis of organic eggs milk and more. Sanderson farms has provided chicken and loads of other smaller donations make the cafe work. Seimon is a teacher by trade.

A casual cooperation among volunteers is what San Francisco volunteer Jason Burwan says makes the experience work all around, with people working at what they do best.

"People just take ownership of duties. When someone leaves another takes their place without any formal leadership," Burwan said.

Burwan came to Waveland after being told by the American Red Cross he would have to wait a month or more to be assigned a volunteer position. He came to stay a week, but like many of the other volunteers, he ended up staying longer.

"We'll be here till we are done," said kids play space organizer Robin Rainbow.

"We want this to be a place where people want to come," said Buras.

Though days are long, often beginning at 5:30 and ending at Midnight, it is not all work, said Burwan.

"We still manage to

have a lot of fun," he said.

They also want to offer locals a bit of escape and provide entertainment as often as possible, with music offered a couple of times a week. House band now is often Wailin' Wally and the Killa Sharks, a good dance band, Burwan says. Volunteer Dr. Aaron Funk also offers dance lessons in rumba, tango, and salsa to all.

Also offered are traditional medical services with a pharmacy, family medicine, vaccinations, counseling, and urgent care. The center also offers their own brand of preventative medicine with massage, herbs, and other alternative health remedies at the Center for Alternative Living.

If you have little ones with you when you go to shop at the free store, a play space is offered from 3 p.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. There are toys and activities and licensed child-care providers. The center also provides internet and phones.

"I started thinking about the word responsible as I was teaching a class," said Seimon. "It is one of the missions at our school. It dawned on me that being responsible is being able to respond to a situation where you are needed. I realized that I was a responsible person."

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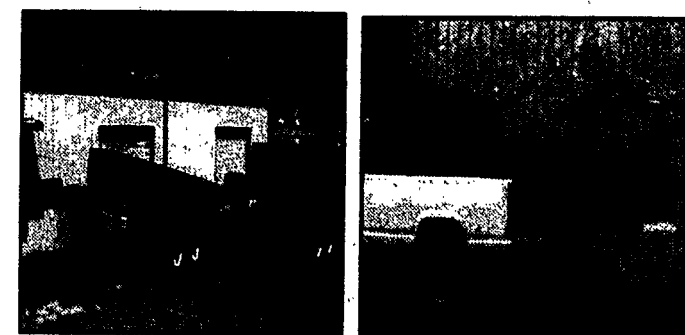
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